

HIS WORK ENDED.

James Russell Lowell, poet, patriot and scholar. After a long and useful life succumbed to a complication of ailments. Brief sketch of his brilliant career.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 12.—James Russell Lowell died at 2:10 o'clock yesterday morning. His death was caused by an affection of the liver together with other ailments incidental to his advanced age.

Mr. Lowell passed away at his home, Elmwood, in Cambridge, where he was born. Almost to the last he was a hard, although erratic, worker. He had not been seen as often in society lately as formerly, but up to five years ago he seemed in robust health.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

James Russell Lowell was born in Cambridge, Mass., February 22, 1819. The poet was descended from an English family who settled in New England in the year of 1635. His grandfather was made a judge by Washington after having assisted in framing the constitution of Massachusetts in 1780. He moved the insertion in the bill of rights of that state of the clause that "All men are born free and equal," and earned great eminence as a lawyer. The family of the Lowells gave its name to the city of Lowell.

The deceased was the son of Charles Lowell and in genius and character was the hereditary representative of the heart and brain that founded New England. He was the youngest of five children. From both parents were transmitted high intelligence, sound principles and right ideals, but the poetic and imaginative faculty came from the mother. His birthplace was the old story mansion now called "Elmwood," a large three-story square, wooden house in the early colonial style, situated in spacious grounds, surrounded by magnificent elms and pines planted by his father, with an outlook on the Charles river. Lowell was fitted for college by William Wells who was the senior of the firm that published the series of Wells & Lilly classics. He entered Harvard in his sixteenth year and was graduated in 1838. His first published literary production, unless probably some poems of "Hesperian" which he edited in 1837, was his noted class poem composed under peculiar circumstances. At the time of writing it the collegiate senior was undergoing a brief period of seclusion at Concord, in consequence of his illness. His first book, "The Vision of Sir Launfal," which he wrote in 1841, was the result of his seclusion. It was a volume of poems written under the influence of affection for a woman who became his wife, and was published under the title of "A Year's Life."

The volume was never republished, and of the seventy poems only a small part have been deemed worthy of reprinting by the author. His marriage to the woman who inspired these poems took place in 1841. Maria White was an ardent abolitionist, and no doubt her influence assisted in turning his thoughts to the serious side of that cause to which he rendered immortal service. To understand Lowell's character it is necessary to remember that he was not only a poet, a scholar and a humorist, but always a conservative and a critic. No man was more thoroughly imbued than he with the fundamental principles of American democracy—a democracy without demagoguism; no man more jealous than he of the untarnished reputation of America in politics and literature; no man more quick to see any departure from the high ideal of the republic, and his flaming pen was turned to attack whatever assailed this ideal—at one time slavery, at another time vicious political methods threatening the purity of democratic society. His radicalism was always conservative, his criticism always constructive. Lowell and his wife were regular contributors to the Liberty Bell, and his name appeared in 1842 in the Anti-Slavery Standard as corresponding editor. In this paper from 1843 to 1846 his poems during that period mostly appeared. Later the Boston Courier was the vehicle of his productions, and in its columns the first series of the "Biglow Papers" was given to the public, beginning in the issue for June, 1846, and ending in 1848.

In 1848 he undertook the editing of the Pioneer, a literary and critical magazine. Only three numbers were published, the venture failing through financial disaster to the publishers. In this magazine was begun a series of essays on the poets and dramatists, which afterward formed the material for "Conversations With Some of the Old Poets." In 1848 came a volume of verse containing "A Legend of Brittany," with thirty-three miscellaneous poems and thirty-seven sonnets. These were followed in 1849 by "The Vision of Sir Launfal," one of the most exquisite productions of his genius, a poem founded on the legend of the Holy Grail, which is said to have been composed in a sort of frenzy in about forty-eight hours, during which the poet scarcely ate or slept.

In 1857 Mr. Lowell was appointed by President Hayes to the Spanish mission, from which he was transferred to the court of St. James.

In 1857 Lowell was deputed as minister to England and, until recalled by President Cleveland, he was our representative at St. James.

Lowell's first wife died in 1853. He married a second time in 1857 Miss Dunlap, of Portland, Me., and who died in 1858.

AN EDITOR DEAD.

George Jones, of the New York Times, died at a ripe old age.

POLAND SPRING, Me., Aug. 12.—Mr. George Jones, editor of the New York Times, who has been ill for some time, died yesterday morning.

Mr. Jones and family arrived at Poland Springs July 16 from Massachusetts, where Mr. Jones' daughter had been sick. Anxiety for her health exhausted Mr. Jones. He summoned Dr. Wood, the hotel physician, July 24, when he was found to be suffering from dysentery, complicated with other troubles. The doctor at first did not consider the case serious, but the disease lingered. Mr. Jones growing weaker. He had a bad day Sunday, but seemed so comfortable Monday that the family had slight hopes. Tuesday he failed constantly and died at 4:30 yesterday morning. Dr. Weeks, of Poland, and Dr. Putnam, of Boston, were in consultation on the case, and instrumental relief was attempted Tuesday, but without effect. His family was with him and the hotel people were unremitting in kind attention.

The party left Poland Springs with the body yesterday morning. The funeral services will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

The story of George Jones' life is the story of the founding and building up of the New York Times. Although Mr. Jones had reached the age of 40 when he joined Henry J. Raymond in establishing the Times and had already made his way to success and a competence in other business enterprises, his earliest inclinations had brought him into the field of New York journalism and his return to it as a founder and as a publisher of the Times was but the fulfillment of his youthful ambitions. And from the day when the first copy of the Times was issued to the day of his death Mr. Jones has devoted to it the exclusion of all other interests and affairs his undivided time and energies. His success has been the success of the journal he has controlled, his honorable career and reputation are inseparably associated with the career and the standing of his newspaper.

The father and mother of Mr. Jones were of that sturdy Welsh stock that has contributed prominent and successful men to so many of the older communities of this country. Coming to America some years before the birth of their son George they settled in the village of Poultney, Vt., where the father engaged in the business of a woolen manufacturer. It was in Poultney that George Jones was born August 16, 1811. He would have reached the age of 50 next Sunday. His father and mother died when he was 11 years old and he was left to make his own way and take care of himself in the world. There was a country store in the village of Poultney, kept by Amos Bliss. That humble merchant, also himself a journalist, gained the uncommon distinction of being the first employer of two men who, later in life, were to become conspicuous figures in New York journalism. Mr. Jones, though he was 14 years old, became the clerk and errand boy in Mr. Bliss' store. At the same time Mr. Bliss took into the composing room of his newspaper, the Northern Spectator, as a printer's apprentice, a boy named Horace Greeley, who was to serve him five years, to be boarded and lodged, and, after the first six months, to receive \$10 a year. The two lads became friends and playmates at once, and their acquaintance and friendship, renewed many years later in New York City, continued with only such interruptions as are natural, and perhaps inevitable, to the rivalry of journalism, to the time of Greeley's death.

It was in 1831 that Mr. Jones came to New York. Mr. Greeley had preceded him by two years. It was in the business of Horace Greeley's Tribune that Mr. Jones first became connected with journalism. Just as his youthful acquaintance with Greeley, formed in the Vermont village some seventeen years earlier, had moulded the beginning of his career in New York, so his friendship with Henry J. Raymond, beginning while the one was employed in the business office and the other in the editorial rooms of the Tribune, was destined speedily to ripen into intimacy, confidence and mutual respect and later to bring them into business partnership in the founding and management of the New York Times.

Upon the death of Mr. Raymond, Mr. George Jones became the responsible head of the New York Times in control of its business management and the editorial policy. A complete history of Mr. Jones' management of the Times during the three years following Mr. Raymond's death would of necessity include a history of the Tweed ring broken and overthrown by the Times. Mr. Jones had secured the secret account of the Tweed ring and had begun a fight which was only to end with the complete overthrow of Tweedism. When, in some way, Tweed discovered that these accounts were about to be published in the Times he at once sent an agent to Mr. Jones with an offer to buy the Times at any price he might name. This offer being refused, an offer of \$5,000,000 for the suppression of the accounts was made, but it was likewise refused.

Mr. Jones was married in 1839 to Miss Sarah M. Gilbert of Troy.

THE RUSSIAN UKASE.

It Produces a Profound Sensation in Germany.

BERLIN, Aug. 12.—The ukase forbidding the export from Russia of rye and rye meal of every kind and bran, which was published in the official journal at St. Petersburg, has created an enormous sensation in this city. The ukase came as a complete surprise to the dealers in grain here. There is no doubt, however, that the Russian government has forbidden the export of rye and rye meal, as the principal merchants here have received special telegrams confirming the first public dispatches announcing the prohibition. The only point of difference in the private and public dispatches is in regard to the date on which the prohibition will go into effect. Several of the earlier dispatches stated that the ukase would take effect immediately, while later telegrams announced that the prohibition would not be enforced until August 27. This short respite afforded great relief. The influence of this action on the part of the Russian government was immediately felt on the bourse here. The effect was generally to depress prices, although values did not fall as low as was expected they would, as many of the leading brokers had received secret advice as to the probable promulgation of the decree.

The Best Light.

The natural stimulus of the eye, and consequently the one best adapted for reading, is white sunlight. The softest and most pleasant of all is the diffused light from a northern sky. Good artificial light is much to be preferred to insufficient daylight. As regards artificial lights, there are two sources of trouble: First, that they are not pure white, and secondly, they are unsteady. The first effect is found to a marked degree in all artificial light except the lime, electric and magnesium lights; the second especially in candles and gas. Gaslight has a decided excess of yellow rays, but answers very well if the gas is of a good quality and the flame is properly regulated. The light of a good coal oil lamp is very grateful to the eye. If candles are used, wax and spermaceti are the best. Among the many advantages of the electric light is the fact that in color, or rather absence of color, it more nearly approaches daylight than any other.—Detroit Free Press.

A Natural Question.

Jack—Miss Spicey, the poetess of passion, is engaged.
Charlie—Indeed! A new book, or a new young man?—Munsey's Weekly.

The St. Louis Exposition.

The Eighth Annual St. Louis Exposition will open Wednesday, September 2, and close October 17.

The past history of this great industrial Exposition is one of inter-State pride, and its marked success for the past seven years is the guarantee that this year will equal in every respect and exceed in many ways the varied exhibits of the Arts, Mechanics and Sciences. The departments will have displays from every line of industry and business. The Art Department will have the best examples, to which will be added a fine collection of oriental musical instruments, lacquers, ivory, and other works of merit from China and Japan. Gilmore's celebrated band will be in attendance each day, and furnish music in the afternoon and evenings.

America's general progress will be faithfully portrayed, and the revelations in all branches of industrial achievements will be unusually complete and instructive. All the railroads will give reduced rates.

"Our parrot is dead," wrote a little girl, and a post seems to have settled over the family.—Texas Siftings.

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| Butchers' steers..... | 3 70 @ 4 00 |
| Native cows..... | 2 00 @ 2 25 |
| HOGS—Good to choice heavy..... | 4 15 @ 5 25 |
| WHEAT—No. 2 red..... | 85 @ 87 |
| No. 2 hard..... | 85 @ 87 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | 51 @ 54 1/4 |
| OATS—No. 2..... | 26 1/2 @ 27 |
| RYE—No. 2..... | 74 @ 75 1/4 |
| FLOUR—Patents, per sack..... | 2 80 @ 2 40 |
| Fancy..... | 1 90 @ 1 95 |
| BUTTER—Choice creamery..... | 8 80 @ 9 00 |
| CHEESE—Full cream..... | 16 @ 17 |
| EGGS—Choice..... | 9 @ 12 |
| BACON—Hams..... | 9 @ 10 |
| Shoulders..... | 5 1/4 @ 6 1/2 |
| Sides..... | 7 @ 7 1/2 |
| LARD..... | 6 1/2 @ 7 1/4 |
| POTATOES..... | 30 @ 40 |

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| CATTLE—Shipping steers..... | 5 00 @ 5 85 |
| Butchers' steers..... | 4 00 @ 5 00 |
| HOGS—Packing..... | 4 80 @ 5 40 |
| SHEEP—Fair to choice..... | 2 75 @ 4 80 |
| FLOUR—Choice..... | 8 15 @ 8 50 |
| WHEAT—No. 2 red..... | 91 1/2 @ 92 1/4 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | 55 1/2 @ 57 |
| OATS—No. 2..... | 27 1/2 @ 28 |
| RYE—No. 2..... | 70 @ 77 |
| BUTTER—Choice creamery..... | 18 @ 19 |
| PORK..... | 10 50 @ 10 75 |

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| CATTLE—Shipping steers..... | 5 75 @ 6 25 |
| HOGS—Packing and shipping..... | 4 90 @ 5 80 |
| SHEEP—Fair to choice..... | 4 50 @ 5 15 |
| FLOUR—Winter wheat..... | 4 80 @ 4 90 |
| WHEAT—No. 2 red..... | 90 1/4 @ 90 1/2 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | 61 @ 62 1/2 |
| OATS—No. 2..... | 28 1/2 @ 29 1/2 |
| RYE—No. 2..... | 74 @ 88 |
| BUTTER—Creamery..... | 18 @ 24 |
| PORK..... | 10 30 @ 10 57 1/2 |

NEW YORK.

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| CATTLE—Common to prime..... | 8 65 @ 6 10 |
| HOGS—Good to choice..... | 5 10 @ 5 80 |
| FLOUR—Good to choice..... | 8 65 @ 8 80 |
| WHEAT—No. 2 red..... | 1 3 1/4 @ 1 05 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | 74 @ 7 1/4 |
| OATS—Western mixed..... | 41 @ 40 |
| BUTTER—Creamery..... | 15 1/2 @ 10 |
| PORK..... | 10 50 @ 11 25 |

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